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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 30, 2025

Lord, show us your mercy and love and grant us your salvation.

The new church year is ushered in with the season of Advent. It is primarily a time of spiritual preparation for Christmas – the feast which celebrates the birth of Christ and the beginning of our salvation. So this is a time especially blessed by God which summons us to stay awake and to prepare in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Advent is an invitation to renew our Christian commitment and start living in Christ, The Emmanuel - God with us.

I DOMENICA DI AVVENTO

Certo l'Avvento non è solamente un periodo liturgico e non si esaurisce alle sole settimane di preparazione al 25 Dicembre. Esso riguarda infatti tutta la nostra vita e abbraccia, senza dispensarlo, ogni momento o avvenimento della nostra storia, poiché l'attesa del Signore è la vocazione fondamentale dell'uomo nonché la prospettiva di vita che si rinnova di giorno in giorno, in quanto la sua visita e la sua venuta sono una costante del nostro viaggio terreno.



Parish Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30am-12 noon 1:00pm- 4:30pm

For Daily & Weekend Mass Intentions see inside

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM (English) SUNDAY: 9:00 AM (Italian - English) & 11:00 AM (English)

Registration:

Parish Census Forms at Church entrance or call the Office.

Baptism:

Parish Membership & Baptism class required. Please contact the Office.

Marriage:

Parish Membership & Preparation required. Call Office 6 months in advance.

Reconciliation - Confession:

Only Saturday 4:15pm & 30 min. before each Mass during the week or on request

Anointing of the sick:

Every First Friday of the Month during the Mass & on request.

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If we do not live each day according to God's judgment, no one can use the lifestyle of "others" as an excuse: no one can hide behind others to escape the danger of being forgotten by the Lord. Salvation and judgment are closely related; they shake us in the midst of our lives: both in times of great catastrophe and in the course of our daily work. One is taken, finds escape, is saved; another is abandoned. But not being a hindrance clearly does not depend on the approval of others. It is man himself who holds his own salvation or damnation in his hands. That is why, as is often the case in the Gospel, this passage ends with a call to vigilance.



ITALIAN SOCIETY OF P.A. NEWS: General Assembly Monday, December 1st at 7:00pm.

SPAGHETTI TAKE OUTS: December 14th from 12noon-5:00pm

COLUMBUS CENTRE SPAGHETTI/MEATBALLS TAKE OUT:

December 4, 18. For more info call 807-623-3252

TRIVIA NIGHT : St. Patrick's Cathedral will be hosting a Trivia Night on Saturday, December 6 at the Columbus Centre in aid of the Cathedral Roof Campaign. Dinner is at 6:00pm and Trivia is 7:00pm-9:00pm. Tickets are \$60.00 per person and tables of 8 are available. Individuals may also purchase tickets. Prizes and door prizes will be awarded. Come out and enjoy a relaxing and fun evening while supporting a worthwhile cause. For more info or tickets call Columbus Centre 807-623-3252 or Cathedral Rectory at 807-622-5389 or stpatssecretary@shaw.ca

BRUNCH WITH ST. NICK: Sunday, December 14th from 10:30am-12:30pm at St. Andrew's Church Saunders Hall, 294 Red River Road. Cost \$20 & children under 10 yrs eat for free.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: an opportunity to pray and reflect before the Blessed Sacrament and deepen our relationship with Christ in the Eucharist. Eucharistic Adoration is on the first Friday of every month at 6:00pm and will be held next on **Dec 5th.**

GIVING TREE: will be set up in the church with donation envelopes in support of Children Helping Children to support children in developing countries. Donations can be enclosed in the envelopes and deposited in the collection box in the foyer.

BISHOP'S DIOCESAN MINISTRY CAMPAIGN: Our goal for this year is **\$23,050.00** Donations can be brought to our Rectory office or the Pastoral Office. **Remember to include pink & yellow pledge slips with donation.** To date we have reached \$18,290.00 and are at 79%

C.W.L. MEETING: Wed., Dec. 3 following 7:00pm Mass. Remember to bring or wear something GREEN and wear your favourite "ugly Christmas sweater"

ST. ANTHONY'S C.W.L. LUNCHEON: Sunday, January 18, 2026 at the Italian Cultural Centre, Buffet Lunch. Tickets \$35. Open to C.W.L. members & friends. Tickets available at our office, Seniors gathering on Tuesdays & after weekend Masses.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAM: for all couples who have registered for the Sacrament of Marriage will be held on Fri., Jan. 23rd from 7:00pm -10:00pm and Sat., Jan. 24th from 9:00am-6:00pm. Registered couples will be contacted by email to register for the course. Any other couples wishing to participate should contact our office. This is the only course offered at St. Anthony's this year.

CONFIRMATION DATE FOR 2026: has been set for Saturday, May 30th.

FIRST COMMUNION DATE FOR 2026: has been set for Saturday, June 6th.

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE Please stop by the Development and Peace table in the church vestibule and sign the petition for "Turning Debt into Hope".

SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$ 2,525.00
Thank you Parishioners & visiting friends for your continued generosity & support. Donations can also be made online. One-time or automatic monthly donations by credit card: **www.stanthonysparish.ca**



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MASS INTENTIONS December 1— 7, 2025

Monday, December 1

All Parishioners

9:00am

Pastor

Tuesday, December 2

Serafino Barca
Antonietta Barca
Riccardo Colosimo
Casimiro DiCasimiro

7:00pm

Family
M. Szekely
wife Teresa
Family

Wednesday, December 3

Fr. Bortignon
Gilda DeVuono

7:00pm

C.W.L.
V. & C. Desando

Thursday, December 4

Emilio Caputo

7:00pm

Maria & Family

Friday, December 5 *Eucharistic Adoration 6:00pm*

Friday, December 5

All Souls

7:00pm

Parishioner

Saturday, December 6

5:00pm

Francesco Marino
Mike Ferrari
Silvio & Beniamina Tesolin
Francesco Mollame
Bruna & Frank Rizzo
Gilda Fabiano
Antonio Arruda
Emma & Silvio Ferrato
Luigi, Francesco & Rosina Carobelli
Michele & Saveria Nerino & Deceased Family
Deceased of Mauro & Marrello

B. & N. LaSelva
Children
Victor, Laura & Families
M. Stefanile & Family
R. & D. Lacaria
V. & P. Pelessier
Wife
Family
Gina & Family
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N. & E. Marrello

Sunday, December 7 **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

9:00am

Vincenzo, Angelina & Ciccio Rosso
Giuseppe Arella
Carmine & Antonietta DeGrazia
Ada Fidalic

Daughter & sister
Maria
P. & F. Bloskie & M. DeGrazia
M. Stipceovich & Family

11:00am

Rosina Bava
Francisco Pacheco
Vincenzo & Assunta Vetere
Maria Bitonte
Angelina Figliuzzi
Gina Tassone
Deceased of Magisano & Giorgio
Paolina & Alessandro Iacino
Guilherme & Lourdes Cabral
Jacint & Durval Tavares
Deceased of Chies, Marcon & Scarpis

daughter Rosetta & Fam.
Anna, Natalia & Isabel
S. & I. Vetere
A. Coppola
A. & G. Fabiano
M. Arella
P. Magisano
Potestio Family
M. Cabral
M. & W. Kolinski
M. Chies

Our 11:00 am Mass can be viewed by live stream
With the link being found on the church website:
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† Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Sebastiano (Sam) Sgromo, Giuseppe Leonetti & Marilyn Johnston. May God bless them and welcome them into His Kingdom.

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